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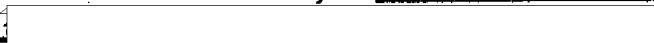
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: A. M. Haig 


SUBJECT: WSAG Meeting 19 June 1970

I discussed with Henry Kissinger your suggestion that you meet with the WSAG Principals today to emphasize again your desires for positive action in the Cambodia situation. Mr. Kissinger believes such a meeting would be constructive. He feels, however, that it would be most constructive if your appearance were a brief one in which you would make forcefully the points outlined in the attached Talking Points. Mr. Kissinger recommends that you avoid any statement which appears to be a directive 

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Rather, he recommends that you urge positive action to resolve difficulties which now stand  to go forward. The talking points attached proceed in this way.

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The WSAG principals will be here at 11:00 a.m. We hope that you could come to the meeting at about 11:30 a.m.

Attachment

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TALKING POINTS

WSAG MEETING - 19 JUNE 1970

1. I wanted again to emphasize my desire that we take every positive step to assure that a non-Communist Government survives in Cambodia.
2. South Vietnamese forces can do a great deal to relieve the pressure on Cambodian forces. We want to encourage them to do so.
 - Reports this morning are encouraging. I see that Route 1 is opened and the ARVN intends to keep it open.
 - I want to be sure that we keep pressing the South Vietnamese to do what they can.
3. Press stories have been unnecessarily alarmist. This means we must have better communication with the press in Phnom Penh. I want to be sure that the facts are clear and that a positive but objective view is presented forcefully to the press.
4. Supplies that the Cambodians need should be moved quickly. It is as important psychologically to strengthen their morale and to let them know that they are not alone as it is to improve their military capability.

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